

## SOLDIERS' REUNION.

A GRAND REVIEW AND INSPECTION OF THREE THOUSAND VETERANS.

ARRIVAL OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PARTY ON THE GROUND—THE PRESIDENT INTRODUCED BY GEN. R. F. BUTLER—SPEECH OF PRESIDENT HAYES.

Long before the hour at which the procession was to move toward the home, crowds of people had gathered along the route, and around the residence of Mr. Anderson, where the President was stopping, while thousands of others were on their way to the beautiful grounds. At 8:30 the military had assembled at the army, and marched to the residence of Mr. Anderson, from whence they escorted the Presidential party to the depot of the Home-avenue cars, where they took a train for the grounds, and the President and party proceeded to the depot of the Home-avenue cars.

They arrived at the north gate at 9:30 o'clock, where they were received by the Brown Guards and escorted to headquarters, a salute of twenty-one guns being fired as the distinguished visitor arrived. The President and party were then taken to the depot of the Home-avenue cars, where they took a train for the grounds, and the President and party proceeded to the depot of the Home-avenue cars.

General B. F. Butler, president of the board of managers, then made an address to the soldiers, after which he introduced President Hayes as follows:

I have the honor to present to you the President of the United States, a distinguished citizen of this city, now at the head of the greatest and most powerful Government in the world. He is here to pay a visit to you, and to show his respect for the brave men who fought and bled for the Union. He is here to pay a visit to you, and to show his respect for the brave men who fought and bled for the Union.

Speeches were also made by Secretary McCarty, Chief Justice Waite, Major General Canby, and others. The President then addressed the soldiers, and they responded with a cheer.

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The formal ceremonies having closed, Col. Brown, commander of the Home, was about to dismiss the audience when many calls were made for Gen. Butler. The President then addressed the soldiers, and they responded with a cheer.

GEN. BUTLER'S SPEECH.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: I am not willing to part the beautiful occasion of the day by anything that I can do to make it more perfect. I am not willing to part the beautiful occasion of the day by anything that I can do to make it more perfect.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

As the General retired there went up a general and lively cheer for another visit of President Hayes, and he was prevailed upon to step forward.

ANOTHER SPEECH BY PRESIDENT HAYES.

My friends: A few unprepared sentences, a little plain soldier's talk, is all that you will expect. This morning I am here to pay a visit to you, and to show his respect for the brave men who fought and bled for the Union.

## AMERICAN BANKERS.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION IN NEW YORK YESTERDAY.

MR. FRANCIS BINGEN OF CANADA, TELLS HOW HE GOT INTO THE BUSINESS—A PAPER ON THE RESUMPTION OF THE CURRENCY—THE RESUMPTION QUESTIONED BY THE ASSOCIATION.

The third annual session of the American Bankers' Association began at Association hall to-day, about one hundred members being present. Charles B. Hall, of Boston, called the convention to order. He spoke of the time of the panic, which had depressed business interests, and caused great shrinkages in value. He thought the dark period was past, and that with a splendid crop and a large surplus, which will be wanted by Europe, that the country was again on an inclined plane of prosperity. The time had come when some legislation was required; when the burden with which the banking business was trammelled should be disposed of forever.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Hon. Charles B. Hall, of Boston National bank; executive committee, George S. Coe, president American Exchange National bank, New York; James H. Bell, president National bank, New York; Thomas Coleman, president First National bank, Troy, N. Y.; Morton McMichael, Jr., cashier First National bank, Philadelphia; J. H. Hayes, of Detroit, said our bonds, including Government and municipal, amount to \$60,000,000,000. No long as these are held in the United States, no long will specie interest be retained with present balance of funds in our favor.

A slight commotion was created by Mr. J. T. King, one of the editors of the paper known as the *Greenback*, who, in the course of the following dispatch, which he received from Philadelphia, in reference to counterfeiting money:

Mr. King, banker and cashier of the International bank, New York, when he said that he had received the following dispatch, which he received from Philadelphia, in reference to counterfeiting money:

The dispatch concludes by saying: "It is the most dangerous counterfeit ever issued, and should be reported to the Convention."

Mr. Grubb, of Philadelphia, warmly endorsed Secretary Sherman's statement. He said that the National bank law was unconstitutional in so far as it conferred power on the banks to issue paper money. He said that the National bank law was unconstitutional in so far as it conferred power on the banks to issue paper money.

THE DISASTER AT SEA.

COLLISION BETWEEN TWO VESSELS IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL—SIXTY-SIX PERSONS DROWNED.

Information of a terrible disaster in the English channel has just been received here. The British ship *Albatross*, Captain Williams, from London, September 4, for New Zealand, collided with the British ship *Forest*, Captain Lockhart, the chief man, and seven others were killed. The *Forest* was a vessel of thirty-two and fifty passengers. The other two and two seamen only were saved.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

The following additional particulars have just come to hand: The *Forest* struck the *Albatross* on the starboard bow, and the latter was cut in two. The *Forest* was a vessel of thirty-two and fifty passengers. The other two and two seamen only were saved.

STILL LATER.

LONDON, Sept. 13.—The latest particulars show that over 100 persons were drowned in the disaster of the *Forest* and *Albatross*, off Portland.

## POLITICAL NEWS.

AT THE EXECUTIVE MANSION AND DEPARTMENTS.

THE PATENT OFFICE.

RESULTS OF SECRETARY SCHURZ'S CIVIL SERVICE REFORM—STATEMENT SHOWING INCREASED EFFICIENCY OF EMPLOYEES FOR THE PATENT OFFICE—THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS ON YESTERDAY.

The Commissioner of Patents on yesterday submitted to the Secretary of the Interior a statement showing an average increase in the efficiency of the employees in his bureau of over fifty per cent, as compared with that of 1876. In this statement the exact amount of work done by each clerk is fully set forth, by reason of the system of accounts kept with patent attorneys for copies of papers supplied. Heretofore the grades of clerks as fixed by law have been \$4, \$6, \$8, and \$10 per month. The lowest are classified as clerks, the next as laborers, and the third as clerks, although they have all performed about the same class of work. Under the old system the \$5 places were often given by way of favoritism to persons who performed less work of the same kind than those receiving \$6 per month. Secretary Schurz, however, has decided upon a new theory fully in keeping with his civil service reform, which grades the clerks of each class of clerks according to the amount of work performed, and the exact number of words copied each day becomes a matter of record, so as to be charged at the rate of ten cents a folio against the party for whose copy is made. It is quite an easy matter to decide upon the merits of each clerk. For instance, for the month of August last the greatest amount of copying done by any one clerk was 10,000 words, while the least amount of copying done by any one clerk was 10,000 words. The \$5 places will be given only to those who copy more than 10,000 words per month, the \$6 places to those who copy more than 10,000 words per month, and the \$7 places to those who copy more than 10,000 words per month.

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## WAR IN THE EAST.

THE PRESENT SITUATION OF AFFAIRS AROUND PLEVNA.

A CONSTANT FIRE KEPT UP BY BOTH SIDES—THE RUSSIAN GRADUALLY ADVANCING THEIR BATTERIES—THE TURKISH POSITION CONSIDERED ALMOST IMPREGNABLE.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—A dispatch from the *Daily News* correspondent from Plevna, dated Saturday, September 8, details the situation at that date. The telegram gives a good idea of the great difficulties which the Russian have still to overcome. Its principal points are as follows: The attack upon Plevna resembles a siege more than anything else. It is far there does not seem to have been a single shot exchanged by infantry on the Russian right and center. The fire of the Turkish redoubt of Grivas does not appear to have slackened in the least, despite the numerous number of shells thrown into it yesterday, and although we can see the earth flying into the air in the middle of the redoubt, the Turkish guns reply regularly as clock work. It is evident none of the Turkish guns have been dismantled. It is very probable that the Turks have not many men in the redoubt. They are hidden in trenches and low places in the ground outside. A few only are kept on the redoubt for the management of guns, and as fast as they are killed they are replaced by others. The fire of the Turkish batteries in the hollow between Grivas and Plevna is now steady, and not so well sustained as yesterday. Probably some of the guns have been dismantled. I must say I do not believe much in the effect of the Russian bombardment. There were to be mounted altogether four hundred guns bearing upon the Turkish positions, but so far not more than one hundred or one hundred and twenty seem to have been brought into position and the effect to the present is very slight. They will have to come to much closer quarters. The same correspondent in a later dispatch reports a continuation of this artillery on Sunday and Monday, during which the Russian batteries gradually pushed forward, as described in the official Russian telegram.

In front of Radzko four guns in the Turkish redoubt were dismantled on Sunday, but were replaced during the night. They were on Monday replying to the Russian guns, but making sadly slow work in the midst of the shells poured into the redoubt. Every now and then the Turks would suspend fire for many minutes, as though the redoubt had been silenced, but after the pause came back a shell or two. The correspondent also describes, from personal observation, the attack on Saturday by a column, headed by General Skobelev, from the Russian left flank, near the Levata and Plevna road, against one of the redoubts on the southern side of Plevna. In the attack the Russians drove the Turks from their outlying positions, but as they neared the foot of the slope the Turkish fire became terrible. From the parapets of the redoubt poured forth a steady stream of flame and smoke, and the Russian column was driven back. The Russian column was driven back. The Russian column was driven back.

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## CAPTURE OF CONFIDENCE MEN.

CONFIDENTIAL BONDS AND CHECKS TO A LARGE AMOUNT FOUND IN THEIR POSSESSION.

By Associated Press.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 11. Two men, giving their names as Wm. H. Nelson and John Hare, have been arrested here by detectives on suspicion of being confidence operators and dealing in counterfeit money. On being searched there was found upon them two large leather satchels packed with counterfeit bonds and checks to a large amount, and two small wallets nearly filled with bogus gold twenty franc pieces.

There were six or eight well engraved counterfeit \$1,000 United States gold coupon bonds, and the following checks: One on the Pacific Bank, San Francisco, dated August 1, payable to the order of A. B. Smith, for \$1,000, signed E. E. Manning & Co.; bill of exchange dated at New York August 30, for \$200, payable to the order of W. H. Brooks, signed Wm. McCarty & Co., and directed to Alfred & Co. Baltimore; bill of exchange dated at New York August 30, for \$200, payable to the order of W. H. Brooks, signed Wm. McCarty & Co., and directed to Alfred & Co. Baltimore; bill of exchange dated at New York August 30, for \$200, payable to the order of W. H. Brooks, signed Wm. McCarty & Co., and directed to Alfred & Co. Baltimore.

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## MINOR CAPITAL TOPICS.

THE RECEIPTS FROM INTERNAL REVENUE YESTERDAY.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—At the Democratic convention held here to-day James R. Smith received the nomination for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 2, D. N. Wells for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, No. 3, Robert E. Patterson for City Comptroller and Henry S. Hager for District Attorney. W. Kent Gilbert was nominated for coroner.

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